

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER TO THE  
BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

In re Application of: Amir M. Saffarian  
Serial No.: 08/828,022  
Filing Date: March 27, 1997  
Group Art Unit: 2876  
Examiner: Jamara A. Franklin  
Title: AUTOMATED SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR  
CHECK AMOUNT ENCODING AT A POINT-OF-  
SALE

**BOARD OF APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Honorable Assistant Commissioner

for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

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